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For: CD30 LIGAND (as amended)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Box Patent Application
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows, prior to examination:

In the Specification:

Page 1, line 7, delete the current title and replace with -- CD30 LIGAND --.

Page 1, line 10, after "This application is" insert -- a divisional of U.S. application Serial No. 08/580,014, filed December 20, 1995, ^{issued as US Pat No. 5,753,203} ~~currently allowed~~, which is a divisional of U.S. application Serial No. 08/225,989, filed April 12, 1994, now U.S. Patent 5,480,981, which is --.

Page 1, line 11, delete "currently pending" and replace with -- now abandoned --.

In the Claims:

Cancel claims 1-26. Amend claims 27, 28, and 31 as follows:

27. (amended) A method of delivering a diagnostic or therapeutic agent to CD30⁺ cells, comprising contacting said cells with a conjugate [according to claim 25] comprising a diagnostic or therapeutic agent attached to a CD30-Ligand (CD30-L) polypeptide.

28. (amended) A method of delivering a diagnostic or therapeutic agent to CD30⁺ cells, comprising contacting said cells with a conjugate [according to claim 26] comprising a diagnostic or therapeutic agent attached to a CD30-L polypeptide.

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